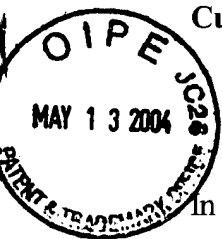


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 8, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests a two (2) month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action. The response period is presently set to expire on March 8, 2004, and if this Request for Extension of Time is granted, the new response date will be May 8, 2004.

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: